

Claims

Claims 1- 4. (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Withdrawn by election restriction)

Claim 6 (Canceled)

Claim 7. An insect and pest shield system for gardens comprising a plurality of shield elements, each shield element in a roughly rectangular planar shape having a front surface and an opposing back surface, wherein the front surface and the opposing back surface are flat,

each shield element possessing a top edge and a bottom edge, the bottom edge of each shield element shaped in sharp ridges, the bottom edge of each shield element capable of being inserted into the ground with manual pressure, the top edge of each shield element a smooth straight edge,

the front surface of each shield element covered partially with a sticky substance with embedded grit, the sticky substance with embedded grit confined to each shield element front surface,

the plurality of shield elements connected to each other as a single sheet of material, each shield element separated from the other by means of perforations in the single sheet of material,

whereby is provided a system of plant protection that is easy to manufacture, is flexible enough to conform to any garden area to be protected, and is easy to install.

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Respectfully submitted,
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